



## ST. LOUIS Locals...

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The Constitution and an extemporaneous discussion of 4 to 6 minutes on one of the more important portions of the Constitution. The specific subject of the extemporaneous discussion is not known to the contestants until the day prior to the time for delivery, thus requiring the contestants to have a good general knowledge of the subject," he continued.

At the post level, the post may offer whatever it sees fit as recognition of the winner or winners. In the District, the winner is awarded a medal by the Department. In the Department Vice-Commander's areas, first and second place winners are awarded medals and all contestants receive US Savings Bonds in the amount of \$100 for first place, \$75 for second place and \$50 for third place.

This limitation on time is essential, Bowling said, in order to permit the Department to certify the state winner to the National Contest on or before March 21.

The annual program of The American Legion is a part of its general Americanism program and is intended to encourage high school students to familiarize themselves with the Constitution of the United States. Bowling stated, "The contestants are judged on a prepared oration of 10 to 12 minutes on some phase of

The Carnival Ball at St. Joseph Parish Hall was a huge success. It was estimated that 300 people gathered to see the King and Queen march up to their throne.

King Margaritus I, Ronnie Cuevas and his dukes arrived on the royal yacht "Evelyn" at Givens' wharf. There they met Queen Margarita, Vivian Ott and her maids. They then paraded up highway 604 to the Hall. There they were escorted to their throne and Mickey Yarborough presented the Queen with a bouquet of red roses. Entertaining King Margaritus, Queen Margarita and their courts consisted of the following: Norvin Kelly sang 2 selections and played his guitar, a duet by Mrs. J. F. Carver, pianist, and A. Brenner, violinist and an accordion player, who also sang 2 numbers.

Dukes to King Margaritus were: Marks Wilkinson, Gus Garcia, Wayne Givens, Larry Givens, James Baldre and Ronnie Breland. Pages to the King were Roland Wilkinson and C. J. Wyman Jr.

Maid of Queen Margarita were Jo-Ann Gieger, Shannon Russ, Marie Givens, Mary Louise Garcia and Dianne Barber. Attendants to the queen were Linda Wilkinson and Elaine Kelly.

A dance was held afterward and the music was furnished by Hugh Wall's orchestra.

Cpl. Earl Bennett, son of Lawrence Bennett and Mrs. Edith Bailey, who is stationed in Bayston is home for 3 days.

Miss Joyce Miller of New Orleans spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Miller.

Mrs. Charles Russ and daughter, Shannon, Mrs. George Ladner and children, Eddie and Sue, spent Monday in Moss Point with Mr. and Mrs. Emile Katch.

Ray Dawsey, who is employed by Edwards Transportation, has been spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Dawsey left Tuesday for Fort Sulphur, La.

Miss Rosemary Millinery of Bay Saint Louis, spent Monday night with Miss Merle Holden.

LAW STATE BOARD MEETS

The state board of the League of Women Voters of Mississippi met in Hattiesburg at the Forrest Hotel on Tuesday, Feb. 8th.

Mrs. T. Chatfield Fisher of Jackson, president of the State League, presided. It was announced that the biennial convention would be held at the Hotel Markham in Gulfport on May 11 and 12th, 1955.

At this convention, the budget for the next two years will be discussed and adopted, as will items for league work.

At this time the League would like to remind its members of the democratic procedure by which the policies and the agenda of the league are arrived at.

Any member of a local League may suggest a subject for study.

Every suggestion is considered at convention and then a vote is taken to choose those subjects which seem of the most vital importance to the majority.

Reports from local Leagues indicate that interest in League activities is steadily growing.

The provisional League in Long Beach is ready to apply for local status, and other leagues are increasing in importance in their communities.

MISSISSIPPI LANDS 67 PLANTS WORTH \$25 MILLION DURING '54

A total of 67 new or expanded plants had moved into Mississippi during the first eleven months of 1954, according to a tabulation by the Agricultural and Industrial Board. The new or expanded plants represent an investment of approximately \$25,274,000.

Of the 67 plants, 12 were financed under provisions of the HAWI law.

Of these, five are new plants, and eight represent expansions.

The remaining 54 were privately financed.

place, \$1,000 third place and \$500 fourth.

Winners of the state finals in Mississippi will compete with the winners from Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas in the Regional contest and the Regional winner will be in competition with the winners from the other two Southern Regional areas.

Francis Bowling was recently named Department chairman of this program by Department Commander Woodley Carr to succeed R. L. Lambright who resigned to devote his time to other interests in the insurance field.

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